

Limited Income NET Program Reimbursement for Out-of-Pocket Costs

Background

Medicare's Limited Income Newly Eligible Transition (LI NET) Program, administered by Humana on behalf of CMS, allows for immediate need coverage of prescription drugs for low-income subsidy (LIS)-eligible individuals if they are not already enrolled in a Part D plan. Additionally, CMS temporarily enrolls newly identified individuals with Medicare and Medicaid, or Medicare and Supplemental Security Income (SSI), into the Limited Income NET Program. This allows for a smoother transition as CMS auto-enrolls them into standard Medicare prescription drug plans.

Full duals and SSI-only beneficiaries are auto-enrolled to the start of their dual status, or the last uncovered month, whichever is later. However, these beneficiaries may have paid out-of-pocket for Part D-covered prescription drugs during retroactive periods. These beneficiaries are entitled to reimbursement for eligible prescription drugs (Part D covered, meet safety edits, etc.) by the LI NET Program, as long as the beneficiary is eligible for retroactive coverage.

Beneficiaries eligible for retroactive coverage are those who, **for the month in question:**

1. Are Part D eligible
2. Are Full Benefit Dual Eligible (FBDE) or SSI-Only eligible
3. Are not enrolled in a Part D plan
4. Are not enrolled in a Part C plan that does not allow concomitant enrollment in a PDP
5. Are not enrolled in a Retiree Drug Subsidy (RDS) plan
6. Reside within the 50 states or DC
7. Have not opted-out of Part D auto-enrollment

Important Reminder

Humana has alerted CMS that the rejection rate for submitted receipts is high because individuals are submitting receipts for:

1. Periods in which they were not both Medicare and Medicaid or SSI-eligible;
2. Periods in which they were enrolled in another Part D plan; and
3. Non-Part D-covered drugs such as vitamins and OTCs.

Please remind beneficiaries that in order to be reimbursed for eligible prescription drugs, they must meet the eligibility criteria and the drug must be Part D-covered.

***It's also important to note that the pharmacy receipt should include information such as the name of the drug, the dosing, the pharmacy NDC number, etc., and not just the cashier's receipt showing the amount paid.

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If you have questions, please call LI NET at the Caseworker/SHIP direct line: **1-866-934-2019**.